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- 1. A May Day meeting of approximately 2,500 workers and students was held in the University of Habana stadium in spite of a government ban. The workers and students were equally divided in number, with the majority of the workers being Communists.
- 2. A police guard surrounded the university, and those attending, either singly or in groups of two or three, entered through the less conspicuous approaches to the university, avoiding the main entrance at L and San Lazaro streets. By this means, in a period of some three hours, the 2,500 people filtered through the police lines and into the stadium. The police did not attempt to interfere.
- 3. Only members of the Federacion Estudiantil Universitaria (FEU) spoke, and the theme was for student-labor unity in opposition to the BATISTA government. The meeting was orderly except for a Partide Socialista Popular (PSP, Cuban Communist Party) group, which milled about the stadium singing songs and shouting slogans. Jose MASSIP and Luis BONNE were among this group.

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